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## U.S. Naturalization Ceremony Celebrates 22 New Citizens

by Eugene Jesse Nash IV

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Twenty-two immigrants from a dozen countries became citizens of the United States on Sunday during the 10th annual naturalization ceremony hosted by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and the Greenbelt City Council in the gymnasium of the Community Center.

Although longtime residents would find this number small compared to previous years, it was a special day for the individuals taking the oath of allegiance in front of their families.

Mayor Emmett Jordan welcomed the new citizens into our diverse, historic town, and he congratulated them on their accomplishment. Jordan then pointed to the two cameramen in the room to announce that the ceremony was being recorded,



PHOTO BY EUGENE JESSE NASH IV

A new citizen of the United States (right) smiles with her family on Sunday, June 2, at the naturalization ceremony at the Community Center.

courtesy of the city, for those who want a copy to take home and keep.

Then Greenbelter Megan Win-

ner sang the national anthem with a powerful voice the mayor called "beautiful."

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Greenbelt Day 2019

## Greenbelt Station Dedication Of Central Park, Now in Use

by Gary Childs



PHOTO BY GARY CHILDS

Greenbelt Station residents gather to watch the official ribbon-cutting ceremony that declared the park open for use.

Residents of Greenbelt Station can now make use of and enjoy Central Park without travelling all the way to New York City; they have a Central Park of their own right in the middle of their neighborhood. On Saturday, June 1, as part of the Greenbelt Day Weekend festivities, residents of Greenbelt Station gathered at the new, large green space to officially dedicate the park for use by the community. The event was celebrated with a ribbon cutting by councilmembers, the unveiling of a plaque marking the day, and a few remarks given by Mayor Emmett Jordan.

In his remarks, Jordan said that of all the events of Greenbelt Day Weekend 2019, this park dedication is the most important. He said that creating and maintaining green spaces as well as open spaces is a priority for Greenbelt. He added that the city is committed to continuing its support for activities in the park. Jordan also acknowledged and thanked the many people and groups involved in making Greenbelt Station Central Park a reality. He also thanked the community members in attendance and said, "It takes people like you to make it a vibrant com-

munity."

Kristin Weaver, chair of the Greenbelt Station Recreation Committee, commented that she wasn't sure people knew that the park was now available to be used and she hoped that this event would help get the word out. Weaver listed several ideas for activities in the park such as showing movies in the amphitheater at the western end of the space, hosting community parties such as the Greenbelt Station homeowners association summer party scheduled for mid-June, and a myriad of daily informal uses from playing sports to having picnics, to simply sitting and sunning on the green. Other ideas were suggested throughout the course of the dedication such as staging concerts and plays and organizing festivals. Councilmember Judith Davis suggested to Weaver that the community put up a holiday tree and schedule a lighting that could be included as a part of Greenbelt's Festival of Lights event in December. Weaver said she was "excited to have this space and is looking forward to working with the city" on planning and support of events.

The park was formally

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## Two Alternative Transportation Modes Take Heat from Council

by Cathie Meetre

On Tuesday, May 28, Economic Development Coordinator Charisse Liggins described the status of the Hyperloop system at the regular meeting of the Greenbelt City Council. The proposed system comprises vehicles running underground from Washington to Baltimore. The project will be carried out by Boring Company, a tunneling company founded by Elon Musk. Boring has not held any public briefings and has relied instead on its website to share information.

City Planning Coordinator Terri Hruby said that a preliminary environmental assessment is currently underway. The Federal Highway Administration will then determine whether the project has enough environmental impact to warrant a full environmental

impact analysis. Even if a full analysis is not required, Hruby noted that the project must still be reviewed by the Army Corps of Engineers because its tunnels will pass under navigable waterways.

Hruby noted that this project has the support of the governor. Council asked if the project is contingent on transfer of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway from the federal government to the state. Hruby said she did not think this had been considered.

### Zero Emissions?

Liggins described what the project involves and how it will impact Greenbelt. The entire system would be underground with twin tunnels under the Baltimore-

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## Council Discusses Weapon Disposal, OGT Lease and More

by Kathleen Gallagher

As previously reported, during the first half of its four-hour meeting on May 13, the Greenbelt City Council dealt with proclamations and presentations, including an update from the city's state delegation on the recently completed and exceptionally busy General Assembly session. The second half, the business portion of the meeting, contained no legislation but continued with the following agenda items:

### Disposal of Weapons

Subsequent to earlier discussions about the proper disposal of the Police Department's firearms when they are deemed no longer serviceable, a draft Standard

Operating Procedure (SOP) for inclusion in the department's General Orders was presented for council review. It states that the disposition must be approved by the city manager and that decommissioned firearms will be destroyed and reported to the Maryland State Police Firearms Unit.

Councilmember Rodney Robert said he would not vote to support having the disposition of firearms be limited to the authority of the police General Orders rather than the city council, primarily because the General Orders SOP could change if there was a new chief.

Following a multitude of suggestions for how to resolve the matter, it was agreed to vote on a motion Councilmember Colin Byrd had made to 1) approve the language in the General Order as written, and 2) direct staff to

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PHOTO COURTESY OF PGCP

Eleanor Roosevelt High School National Honor Society students are among those attending the ERHS graduation at the Xfinity Center, University of Maryland, on Wednesday, May 29.

# Letters to the Editor

## Wow! An Even Bigger And Better Pet Expo!

Big kudos to our Animal Shelter staff, especially Howard Stanback, for organizing another fabulous Pet Expo! I always enjoy attending and was once again surprised and impressed by how much bigger and better it was than in years past. It seems every year the Expo exponentially improves, which just does not seem possible.

The Pet Expo is such a creative event that fosters responsible pet ownership not just for the whole family but for the whole community. The vendors ran the gamut of services, businesses and organizations, and those in attendance reflect the strong positive relationships our Animal Shelter staff have within our community and beyond. Mother Nature provided a glorious day for the event that offered demonstrations, activities, services, food, lots of helpful information and fun.

I am so proud of the thoughtful detailed care that went into planning the event as well as the day-to-day relationships that our Animal Shelter staff have with so many. I am also proud of our city for having an Animal Shelter and for having such committed dedicated capable staff.

Thank you, Howard Stanback, Lauren Crossed and Nelly Ortiz! And thanks to WAGS (Well Wishers for the Animals of Greenbelt Shelter) for their continued ongoing support of our Shelter.

Katrina Boverman

## Maglev Concerns

I have been thinking about how the maglev will be able to operate without being subsidized by our state and federal government. We know that the high-speed commuter train in Japan is supported by the government. I understand that when Germany started to build one it was abandoned because the costs to the government were excessive.

According to David Henley, of Baltimore-Washington Rapid Rail Project, the maglev will be self-supporting.

Each train will have four or five cars with a capacity of 500 passengers. The maglev will run between McPherson Square in D.C. to a stop at BWI and then to Baltimore (three stops). The cost will be about \$40 each way. By the time it is built minimum wage may be \$15 per hour so that will be three hours pay each way. With an eight-hour work day that leaves two hours in-

come if the passenger does not pay for transportation or parking to embark on the maglev. That amounts to zero income for that day. Therefore I think that this maglev is not for the average commuter.

Financially this does not seem like a good investment for the residents of Maryland. Wouldn't money be better spent on upgrading the Amtrak and Metro systems already in place or even the monorail as is being considered in Montgomery County to alleviate congestion in the Washington-Baltimore area?

Ruth Haynes

## Smartphone Frustrations

I sat with Councilmember Leta Mach last Saturday as we listened to various speakers inform the audience about various therapies at the Not Just For Seniors forum as part of our Greenbelt Day Weekend. After this session I asked Leta when Greenbelt was going to get more cellphone towers because too many of us live in dead zones, no zones or limited service areas. Getting more towers is an ongoing discussion. No one wants towers near schools, but as the technology expands we need infrastructure to meet the demand.

I shared with Leta my tale of woe. As a Verizon iPhone user I was sick and tired of not being able to use my 4-gigabyte phone. At home I am lucky to get 2 gigabytes and the number of dropped calls and no calls is staggering. I called Verizon nine months ago and told them that their cellphone service is extremely poor in Greenbelt. I also asked for a "ticket" to be started for the second time, so an investigation could be conducted. Another call was made by me two weeks ago. I asked the associate to review my record of complaints, which date back three years, however, I only asked for a ticket once. Needless to say, I should have been filing tickets for days.

This time, however, many other Verizon-user residents of Greenbelt had also filed complaints. I was told that I was entitled to receive a service extender which enables my phone to actually access 4 gigabytes. Now these extenders can cost up to \$250 but because of the wifi service challenges that exist in our area, I received a free one.

Those of you with Verizon smart phones who have experienced similar problems, please call and request a ticket and an

internal service extender. You are paying for services that are not being received. If you have a different carrier, call them too, if you have experienced similar challenges.

Verizon is moving to 5 gigabytes, which already is in service in Europe and many other countries. So this situation needs a resolution quickly. Verizon will be doing upgrades, so I hope that our city council will work with these wifi companies to determine the most propitious sites for new towers. In the meantime folks, get your internal service extender.

Lois Rosado



- News Review, October 30, 2014.

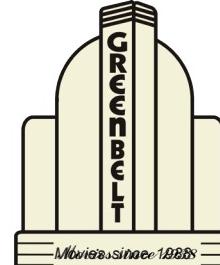
Peter Reppert's winning entry in the cartoon contest.

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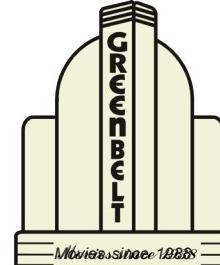
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Sun. 1:00, 3:30 PM

Mon. 2:30, 5:00 PM

Tues. 2:30, 5:00 PM

Wed. 2:30, 5:00 PM

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## On Screen

### Walking on Water

Walking on Water provides an intimate look into the creation of The Floating Piers, a massive environmental art piece by modern artist Christo. Pooling together 700 hours of raw documentary footage, the filmmaker crawls into the mind of the genius and madman process of managing a 600-man crew, laying what looks on the surface to be a golden carpet across Lake Iseo in Lombardy to give the feeling of walking on water.

As Christo's first piece after the death of his faithful assistant and wife, Jeanne-Claude, he wrestles in his own mind over trivial matters and yells at workers in his own personal, endless, micro-managing pursuit of perfection. The documentary chooses to detail not the hard, technical facts and components of making a structure that floats, but the fascinating and sometimes mind-boggling journey of bringing a vision to fruition.

Rating: NR, running time: 95 minutes

- Jesse Nash

# Community Events

## At the Library

### Summer @ Your Library: A Universe of Stories

This summer at the library celebrate the 50th anniversary of Apollo 11 landing on the moon. This year's theme is A Universe of Stories. The challenge runs from May 13 to August 19. Participants of all ages may register online at pgcmls.info via the Beanstack online platform.

Just for registering, participants will receive a prize. They can earn additional points and prizes by checking out books, logging reading or attending library events. Prizes include T-shirts, event tickets, tote bags, books, gift cards and educational toys. Library branches will host space-themed events starting mid-to-late June. Check the online calendar to find an event near you.

Here's how to play:

Sign up to participate in Summer @ Your Library now through August 19 by going to the dedicated website: pgcmls.beanstack.org. Play online or on paper. A library card number is needed to complete Beanstack registration. (PGCPS students may use their LINK account for this.) For further registration assistance, contact any PGCMIS branch library. Starting Monday, June 17, come to any branch to claim the prize for registering. Throughout the summer, attend exciting events at all library branches.

After completing 5, 15 and 20 points, come to any branch to claim prizes, while supplies last, and be automatically entered into the grand prize drawing.

### Teen Advisory Board

Monday, June 10, 4 p.m., ages 13 to 18, limit 15 participants. Earn service hours while making the local library a great place for teens. Enjoy snacks, meet new people, become a leader. Registration is required; contact the branch either in person or by calling 301-345-5800.

### English Conversation

Tuesday, June 11, 6 p.m. Learning to speak English? Join this club and practice speaking English in a friendly atmosphere with people from diverse backgrounds.

### Weekly Storytimes

Tuesday, June 11, ages 3 to 5, 7 p.m., limit 30 people. Wednesday, June 12, ages newborn to 2, 10:15 a.m., limit 15 babies with parent(s)/caregiver(s); ages 2 to 3, 11:15 a.m., limit 30 people. Thursday, June 13, ages newborn to 2, 10:15 and 11:15 a.m., limit 15 babies with parent(s)/caregiver(s).

### French Conversation

Thursday, June 13, 5 p.m. Learning to speak French? Join this club and practice speaking French in a friendly atmosphere.

### Bibliobop Dance Party

Saturday, June 15, 10:30 a.m., ages 2 to 5. Calling all preschoolers and toddlers. Come bust a move and shake the sillies out at the Greenbelt Bibliobop Dance Party. Bring parents or caregivers and prepare to boogie and bop. No registration required.

### Teens Create

Saturday, June 15, 1 p.m., ages 13 and older (teen/adult). Celebrate Pride month with an afternoon of crafting, making bracelets and pins. No registration required.

## Crazy Quilt Music Festival

The New Deal Café will host the Crazy Quilt Music Festival on Saturday, June 8 from noon to 11:30 p.m. The schedule for the festival is: noon – The Music Workshop for Special Needs Adults; 1 p.m. – Katy Gaughan Open Drum Circle; 2 p.m. – Georgie Jessup & the Philosopher Dogs (Justice Rock and Roll); 3 p.m. – Casanova (Sad Bastard Pop); 4 p.m. – Moose Jaw (Working Class Bluegrass); 5 p.m. – Super Duper Club (SuperPunk); 6 p.m. – Honey (Indie Rock the Patriarchy); 7 p.m. – The Bachelor & the Bad Actress (Anarchist Honky Tonk).

## Thoughtful Discussion At Community Center

Is imitation the sincerest form of flattery or does saying that attempt to cover up mere plagiarism? In artistic or creative endeavors, where does inspiration end and stealing begin? The thoughtful discussion group that formerly met at the MakerSpace will attempt to bring some original thoughts and words to this topic on Tuesday, June 11, from 7 to 9 p.m. Check the whiteboard at the Community Center for the room number.

The topic for the following week is selected at the end of each week's discussion; come and suggest an area to be explored.

## Tennessee Williams Classic at GAC

Cat on a Hot Tin Roof, the classic play by Tennessee Williams, will be presented at the Greenbelt Arts Center between June 14 and 22. The play is a guest production by the Rude Mechanicals. Winner of the 1955 Pulitzer Prize for drama, Cat on a Hot Tin Roof examines the Mississippi family of Big Daddy Pollitt as they go through conflict and passion, leading to a final exchange of truth. The Rude Mechanicals, who recently put on Timon of Athens and The Merchant of Venice at GAC, are branching out from their usual fare of Shakespeare plays to explore this classic of American literature. For tickets, and to find out about other productions coming to the Greenbelt Arts Center, visit greenbelartscenter.org or see the ad on this page.

## GCAN holds Zero Waste Potluck

The annual Zero Waste Potluck and Discussion of the Greenbelt Climate Action Network (GCAN) will be on Wednesday, June 12 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Community Center, Room 114. Come join the potluck. Vegan dishes preferred. Bring a plate, utensils, cup, and napkin to make this a zero-waste event. Meet the mystery guest who will talk about opportunities for electric vehicle charging infrastructure in Greenbelt. This is a time to reflect on the year and share personal, local and national success stories that inspire. As always, the last portion of the evening will be for announcements and updates on local and national issues.

## GIVES Annual Meeting

Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service (GIVES) will have its annual meeting on Saturday, June 15 at 10 a.m. at the Community Center. A new president and secretary will be elected at this meeting. The membership also looks forward to setting goals for the next year – how to increase membership, develop new services and grow in an effective way. Potential members can come and see how services are received from their neighbors and perform services to help others. It will be a time to assess and improve. All are welcome. For further information, contact Jean Cook at 301-345-2597.

## Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208 ext. 4215.

All meals, which provide at least one-third of Recommended Dietary Allowances for older adults, include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of June 10 are as follows:

Monday, June 10: honey mustard chicken, scalloped potatoes, Harvard beets, whole wheat bread, fresh fruit, cranberry juice.

Tuesday, June 11: ten-grain pollock, corn, sliced carrots, dinner roll, strawberry glazed fruit, orange juice.

Wednesday, June 12: BBQ pork riblet, baked beans, hot spiced apples, coleslaw, whole wheat bun, fruit punch.

Thursday, June 13: chicken shawarma, yellow rice, pear cobbler, tomato and mozzarella salad, whole wheat pita bread, orange juice.

Friday, June 14: sliced roast beef with gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, whole wheat roll, fresh fruit, chocolate brownie, cranberry juice.

More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

## Poolside Social Club Inaugural Meeting

A poolside social club is forming. Work at home? Retired? Part time? Staycation? Day off? Socialize poolside. Susan Harris and Barbara Glick host the inaugural date for this regular event on Thursday, June 6 at 11 a.m. Meet at the concession area of the Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center (GAFC) and bring a lunch. Those who are not members of GAFC can buy a day pass or, better yet, buy a punchcard. Pay for five visits and get the sixth visit free.

For more information, email bsglick@gmail.com.

## Garden Sharing Days In Boxwood Village

Boxwood Village Civic Association is sponsoring Garden Sharing Days. Residents of Boxwood Village, call Jean Cook at 301-345-2597 to sign up to volunteer or ask for advice. Sharing Days will be Saturdays, June 8 and 15 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This is a neighbors-helping-neighbors event.

## Next Two Weekends At Greenbelt Park

Saturday, June 8, Campfire Program Mission 66: The birth of the Greenbelt campground. Go back in time to 1966 and celebrate the 50th birthday of the National Park Service and the first year of the Greenbelt Park campground. Campground guests and the public are welcome to join at the Campfire Circle for a traditional NPS campfire program at 8:30 p.m.

Sunday, June 9, Every Kid in a Park. Fourth graders, come and learn how to get a free pass to National Parks and play Guess Your National Park game. Meet at the Ranger Station at 9 a.m.

Friday, June 14, Flag Day. Learn about the constellation of stars and stripes that is the American flag and its history for the 242 years it has proudly flown. Meet at Ranger Station at 1 p.m.

Saturday, June 15, Campfire Program: NASA Goddard. Discover the fascination of space. NASA Goddard is just three miles from the park. Campground guests and the public are welcome to join at the Campfire Circle for a traditional NPS campfire program at 8:30 p.m.

## Democratic Club Has Annual Picnic

The Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club's annual picnic will take place Saturday, June 22 at 3 p.m. at Schrom Hills Park in Greenbelt East. Check the club's website page, rooseveltclub.com, to sign up to bring food or a non-alcoholic drink. Even if you're not bringing food, give club president Nicole Williams a call at 202-321-4207 so the club has a good read on how much food will be needed.

In addition to excellent food, camaraderie and good spirit, no doubt there will be political conversation and maybe even a game or two.

The club's picnic is a great venue to restore the positive energy needed to get ready for the 2020 campaign. The organization plays an active role in state and federal elections by helping with voter registration, door knocking, working with phone banks and persistent efforts to get voters out on Election Day and to make a difference at the polls.

For more information about this event and other upcoming programs, see the club's website or Facebook page or call Nicole Williams at 202-321-4207.



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### Program Schedule

Friday Jun 7 - Thursday Jun 13

7 am	Greenbelt News Reel
8 am	Democracy Now!
9 am	Classic Film: <i>Lady Gangster</i> (1942) Faye Emerson
11 am	Adopt A Pet
11:30	Greenbelt Discussion
12 pm	Greenbelt News Reel
1 pm	Strata (Archaeology)
2 pm	Greenbelt News Reel
3 pm	Classic Film: <i>Lady Gangster</i> (1942) Faye Emerson
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A Rude Mechanicals Production

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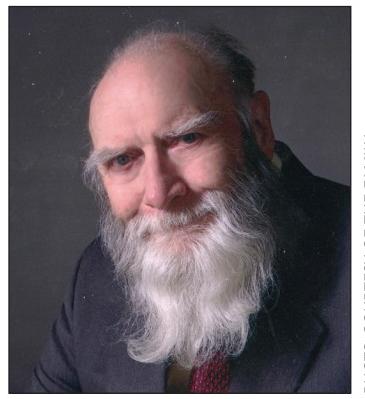
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By Tennessee Williams  
Guest production by The Rude Mechanicals

**June 14 – 22**  
Adult: \$22  
Senior/Stu/Mil: \$20  
Youth: \$12

COMING SOON:  
June 29 – *The Chromatics* – Music Concert  
July 10-11 – *Hamlet* - guest production by Greenbelt's Camp Encore  
GREENBELT ARTS CENTER-123 CENTERWAY-GREENBELT, MD  
(UNDER THE CO-OP GROCERY STORE)

# Obituaries

## James Bates



James Bates

PHOTO COURTESY OF THE FAMILY

After Mrs. Bates died in 2004, Mr. Bates became active in Project Vote Smart, acting as an ambassador and giving presentations to groups around the area about the organization's work in voter education.

Mr. Bates always had a thirst for knowledge and a quest for self-improvement. Over the years he embraced playing bridge, sailing, ham radio operation, genealogy, learning new languages, computer programming, banjo playing, and crossword puzzles among other interests.

Mr. Bates is survived by seven children: Judith Bates (Steve Weinhold) of Kingsport, Tenn.; David Bates (Elsa) of Mandeville, La.; Richard Bates (Dorrie) of Greenbelt; Robert Bates (Peggy Oriani) of Centreville, Va.; Margaret Bates of Greenbelt; Christopher Bates (Debi) Spring, Texas; and Kathleen Wheeler (Jeff) of Sugarland, Texas. A son, Michael Bates (Linda) of Newnan, Ga., died in 2018. The large extended family includes his 17 grandchildren: Katie Hill (Brian), Anna Weinhold (Bekim Haliti), David Weinhold (Stephanie), Melissa Cruz (Jeffrey), Sarah Ueckermann (Matt), Abby Conner (Paul), Alex Bates (Lauren), Malia Bates, Jimmy Bates (Olivia), Andy Bates, Brittany Wheeler, Hannah Wheeler, Charity Hibberd (Danny), Tim Bates (Kacy), Tony Bates, Amanda Manning (Eric) and Emmy Moffett (Geoff), and 14 great grandchildren (with two on the way). Mr. Bates was incredibly proud of his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren and enjoyed them whenever he could.

The family will be welcoming friends and neighbors at Borgwardt Funeral Home (4400 Powder Mill Rd., Beltsville) from 2 to 6 p.m. on Sunday, June 9. There will be a funeral mass at St. Hugh's Church in Green-

belt on Monday, June 10 at 10 a.m. In lieu of flowers, those who wish may make a contribution to S.O.M.E (some.org) or Project Vote Smart (votesmart.org), two organizations that were important to Mr. Bates.

Peggy Bates

## Lois Lane

Lois Juanita Lane, age 87, died at Montgomery General Hospital on May 15, 2019. She was the wife of more than 50 years to William T. Lane, former chief of the Greenbelt Police Department.

Born on August 29, 1931, in Snowflake, Va., Mrs. Lane was a longtime resident of Greenbelt. She also lived for several years at Riderwood Retirement Community in Silver Spring. She enjoyed traveling, visiting friends and family, dining out and Bingo.

Mrs. Lane is survived by her children Diane Tipton McMurray and Edward T. Lane, grandson Matthew D. McMurray, and many nieces, nephews and friends. She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, David C. Tipton and Ella Stanley Tipton, and nine siblings.

Chapel services were held at Crownsville Veterans Cemetery on May 29, 2019.

  
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Community  
of Greenbelt  
MASS  
Sundays 10 A.M.  
Municipal Building  
ALL ARE WELCOME.

## Joyce Nelson

Joyce Nelson died on May 28, 2019, after a courageous fight with cancer.

Mrs. Nelson lived in Greenbelt for approximately 40 years, most of them in Charlestowne Village, where she served on the Charlestowne Village board of directors as treasurer for eight years. She also headed the landscape committee and had one of the loveliest gardens in the development.

Mrs. Nelson retired a few years ago after 35 years as a finance officer with the City of Takoma Park.

In addition to her board activities she spent most of her free time with her dearly-loved Yorkie, Jasmine, aka Jazz. She moved to North Port, Fla.

Funeral services will be held in Winchester, Va.

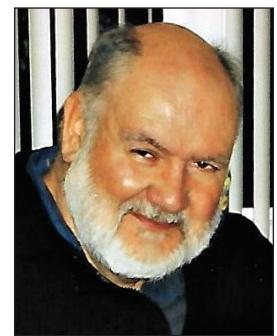
Mrs. Nelson is survived by her mother and her sister Lorainne. She was predeceased by her husband Chuck.

Mona Schlossberg



## Jeff Chapman Remembrance

A remembrance celebration will be held for Thomas "Jeff" Chapman at the Greenbelt American Legion on Friday, June 14, from 5 to 8 p.m. Mr. Chapman, a previous resident of Greenbelt, died on April 11, 2019, at age 73.



## Community Potluck At Mishkan Torah

Mishkan Torah's Membership Committee invites everyone to a community potluck on Friday, June 7 from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. at the synagogue (10 Ridge Road). Bring a vegetarian dish to share. To RSVP (appreciated, but not required) or for more information, contact membership@mishkantorah.org.

## Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church

40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt  
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301-474-9410  
Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor



Worship Service 10 a.m.  
**I have called you by name, you are mine. Isaiah 43**

The Bible Says...  
**"Love never fails."**  
1 Corinthians 13:8



God's love is amazing...it never fails. Yes, we'll go through situations that feel and appear like His love fails.

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Sunday Worship Services  
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[MCFcc.org](http://MCFcc.org)

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Phone: 301-937-3666 [www.pbuuc.org](http://www.pbuuc.org)

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June 9 10 a.m.  
The Holiness of Play

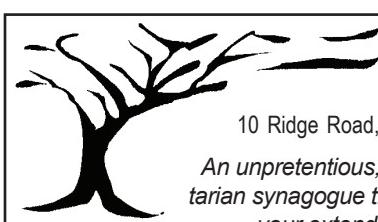


Rev. Rachel Christensen, minister; with Chris McCann, DMRE; Jeri Holloway, Worship Associate; and the Children's Choir

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10:15 for  
**"You'll Blow Us  
All Away . . . "**

Rev. Glennyce Grindstaff

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135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770  
301-474-4322



Mass Schedule:

Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.  
Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe



Condolences to the family and friends of Jim Bates who died on June 3.

Condolences to the family and friends of former Greenbelt resident Thomas "Jeff" Chapman, who died in April.

Condolences to the family and friends of longtime Greenbelt resident Lois Juanita (Tipton) Lane who died on May 15. She was the wife of 50 years of the late William T. Lane, former chief of police for Greenbelt.

Condolences to the family and friends of Joyce Nelson, 40-year resident of Greenbelt and active Charlestowne Village participant.

Congratulations to Aaron Marcavitch who received Prince George's County history awards. He received the St. George's Day award in recognition of his Route 1 book.

Congratulations to Carla Rose, a senior at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, who received a scholarship presented by the All-state Foundation and the Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association. She has also been named the 2019 Metro Girls Golfer of the Year. She will be attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison in the fall, with a double major in mechanical engineering and computer science.

Congratulations to Sierra Oates, who received her Bachelor of Science degree from the College of William and Mary.

Congratulations to the artistic team from Eleanor Roosevelt High School on their first place finish in Prince George's County Public Schools snow plow mural contest, with its colorful and funky design celebrating the many programs at the school. All students on the mural teams will receive certificates from contest partners in the Visual Arts Office and Supporting Services to commemorate their efforts. Current and past competition photos, news articles and a video about the snow plow contest can be viewed at pgcps.org/creative-arts/cards/Snow-Plow-Mural-Contest.

Congratulations to the College Park Academy which celebrated their inaugural graduating class and specifically to graduate Ashley Cooper of Greenbelt.

Congratulations to ERHS Latin teacher Matthew Moore, who was recognized as the Prince George's County World Language Teacher of the Year, and math teacher Charles Mills, who was nominated as the Prince George's County Teacher of the Year.

Share your accomplishments, milestones and news in the Our Neighbors column. Send details of your news items to editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com.



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# City Information & Events

## MEETINGS FOR JUNE 10-14

Monday, June 10 at 5:30pm, **YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE** at Youth Center, 99 Centerway. On the Agenda: Crime Prevention, Youth Advisory encouragement letters, Meet & Greet dates – Ice Cream Social on June 21st at BAP, and Voter Registration dates

Wednesday, June 12 at 8:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION re: Complete and Green Streets Policy** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and Streaming at [www.greenbeltdmd.gov/municipaltv](http://www.greenbeltdmd.gov/municipaltv)

Thursday, June 13 at 7:30pm, **COMMUNITY RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD** at Schrom Hills Park, 6915 Hanover Parkway. On the Agenda: Working Session on Petition regarding Police Use of Military Equipment; Information Day table at Labor Day Festival and other matters as time permits. This agenda is subject to change.

**This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.**

## VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. There are currently vacancies on: Arts Advisory Board, Board of Elections, Ethics Commission, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, and Youth Advisory Committee. Info: 301-474-8000

## NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2019 BUDGET

for the  
**GENERAL FUND**  
**BUILDING CAPITAL RESERVE FUND**  
**CEMETERY FUND**  
**DEBT SERVICE FUND**  
**REPLACEMENT FUND**  
**SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND**  
**GREEN RIDGE HOUSE FUND**  
**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**  
**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUND**  
**GREENBELT WEST INFRASTRUCTURE FUND**

At its regular meeting of June 3, 2019, the City Council of Greenbelt, Maryland, adopted the City's budget for Fiscal Year 2020, thereby approving expenditures as follows:

General Fund.....	\$31,139,100
Building Capital Reserve Fund.....	914,600
Cemetery Fund.....	0
Debt Service Fund.....	1,037,400
Replacement Fund .....	300,000
Special Projects Fund.....	423,300
Green Ridge House.....	1,510,000
Capital Projects Fund .....	3,642,600
Community Development Block Grant Fund .....	140,800
Greenbelt West Infrastructure Fund .....	1,850,000

Copies of the adopted budget document will be available for examination no later than September 2019 at the City Offices at 25 Crescent Road and at [www.greenbeltdmd.gov/budget](http://www.greenbeltdmd.gov/budget).

## Community Nursing Program

The City of Greenbelt's Assistance in Living Program (GAIL) in partnership with Bowie State & Washington Adventist University Schools of Nursing offer a student Nursing Program to families in our incorporated Greenbelt community. Services provided include the following:

- |   |                            |
|---|----------------------------|
| 1. Bathing Assistance                               | 2. Medication Management   |
| 3. Medical Resource Info & Advocacy                 | 4. Nursing Assessments     |
| 5. Health Education                                 | 6. Mental Health Screening |
| 7. Vital Signs Monitoring                           | 8. Cognitive Assessment    |
| 9. Blood Sugar monitoring/assist with finger sticks |                            |

**Register: Contact Sharon Johnson, GAIL Community Case Manager**

**Office: 240-542-2029 OR Email: [sjohnson@greenbeltdmd.gov](mailto:sjohnson@greenbeltdmd.gov)**

**\* SPACE IS LIMITED \***

This **FREE** program is open to Greenbelt seniors age 60+ or disabled adults 50+ residing within incorporated City limits.

**Home visits begin Thursday, June, 20th**

- Participants will receive up to 6 home visits.
- Home visits take place weekly, on Thursdays, between 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

## LADIES SUMMER NIGHT RIDE SERIES – FREE

**357501-1, Various Greenbelt Locations**

**Every Other Wednesday June 19-August 28, 6:30pm**

Join us for casual tours in and around Greenbelt! Come with questions, bike, water, helmet, and a lock. Rides will begin at various locations and end at same location. We will meet at 6:15pm, wheels up at 6:30pm. Each ride will be a friendly pace and distance. Riders of all levels welcomed! Routes will be emailed to registrants one week prior to each ride. For more information email Alison Longworth, [alongworth@greenbeltdmd.gov](mailto:alongworth@greenbeltdmd.gov)

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE FABRICATION AND INSTALLATION OF MONUMENT GATEWAY SIGN

Greenbelt, Maryland  
Contract No. 2019-02-R

The City of Greenbelt is seeking Proposals from qualified professionals to fabricate and install a monument gateway sign in City owned right-of-way near 11 Court Southway. The selected Contractor will also be responsible for the demolition of an existing sign structure and the installation of landscaping. Proposals will be accepted until 2:00 PM on Wednesday, July 10, 2019. The full RFP may be obtained electronically at [http://www.greenbeltdmd.gov/planning\\_code](http://www.greenbeltdmd.gov/planning_code). A pre-proposal meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 17, 2019 at 2:00 PM. This meeting will be held at the Greenbelt Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770. For additional information contact Molly Porter at the City's Department of Planning and Community Development at (301) 345-5417 or at [mporter@greenbeltdmd.gov](mailto:mporter@greenbeltdmd.gov).

## FREE SHARE FOOD BOX DISTRIBUTION EVENT

Join the Holy Cross Health & Food Literacy Program in partnership with the Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program for our FREE SHARE food distribution providing meats and fresh produce items!

Box includes: 1 - 1.6 lbs. of chicken wingettes, 2-1 lb. packages of turkey strip, 1-1 lb. package of bacon, 1-1 lb. package of ground beef, and 8-12 lbs. of fresh produce

### NO SUBSTITUTIONS WILL BE MADE

Friday, June 21st, 3:00-4:00pm  
Springhill Lake Rec. Center – Clubhouse  
6101 Cherrywood Lane, Greenbelt, MD 20770

To reserve a box, contact Katherine Farzin, Bilingual Community Outreach Coordinator at (240) 542-2019 or [kfarzin@greenbeltdmd.gov](mailto:kfarzin@greenbeltdmd.gov). Deadline to reserve a box is Friday, June 7th. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Boxes are limited! A Member of Trinity Health Moving Life Ahead.



## A Conversation about Addiction, Overdose and Recovery in Your Community

Come hear from local providers and experts about:

- 1) Circumstances that can lead to addiction and overdose
- 2) County Services and networks for those facing addiction and overdose
- 3) What communities can do

**Bring your questions and concerns**

Friday, June 13, 2019 from 7:00 – 8:30pm  
Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road



PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MD – NORTH SECTOR  
A member of the Dementia Friendly America Network

**Presents**

## Year-End-Review Forum

Thursday, June 20th, 1-2:30pm

City of Greenbelt Municipal Building

Join us to celebrate accomplishments, upcoming events for this year, information about our new caregiver lecture series, Purple Perks program and more!

Please RSVP to Katherine Farzin via email [kfarzin@greenbeltdmd.gov](mailto:kfarzin@greenbeltdmd.gov) or call (240) 542-2019 by June 10th.

Refreshments provided by Rita's Italian Ice – College Park, Maryland

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2191 Defense Highway, Suite 201  
Crofton, Maryland 21114  
410-451-9091

**Doctors Community Practices at District Heights**  
(Primary Care and Family Medicine)  
6400 Marlboro Pike  
District Heights, Maryland 20747  
301-736-7000

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(Primary Care and Diabetes Care)  
13900 Baltimore Avenue  
Laurel, Maryland 20707  
301-725-5652

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(Primary Care, Family Medicine and  
Endocrinology)  
6502 Kenilworth Avenue, Suite 100  
Riverdale, Maryland 20737  
301-927-0088

**Doctors Community Practices at Temple Hills**  
(Primary Care and Family Medicine)  
5859 Allentown Way  
Temple Hills, Maryland 20728  
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# Community Church Saves Water, Dedicates Raingarden

by Jane Young

Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ, dedicated its new raingarden on May 19. The church service honored creation and encouraged responsible stewardship of the earth with prayers, music and sermon. As the congregation sang the last hymn, they walked out to the raingarden for an informal tour and discussion.

Guests from the wider community joined the congregation, among them Jodi Rose from Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake, who inspired and informed with a talk about caring for creation; Mayor Emmett Jordan, who spoke briefly about the importance of raingardens and Greenbelt's leadership in this effort; Councilmember Leta Mach; and Iberia Miles from Prince George's County Alternative Compliance Program.

The raingarden was funded and built through the Prince George's County Alternative Compliance Program.

The church had 100 percent of its Clean Water Act fee reduced through the easily achievable measures of the raingarden. The raingarden is a stormwater management measure that helps control rainwater runoff and prevent pollution.

## CEREMONY

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After the oath of allegiance, which naturalized citizens must say as a final step before becoming U.S. citizens, each of the immigrants from countries as close as Guatemala to as far as China accepted their certificate of citizenship and shook hands with Jordan and the councilmembers present before returning to their seats and embracing husbands, children, siblings or parents.

Following the ceremony, members of the Greenbelt community introduced themselves to some of the new citizens to share stories.

Councilmember Edward Putens, who has Polish roots, found a connection with German immigrant Melani over both their careers with the Food and Drug Administration and the proximity between their European home countries.

Councilmember Silke Pope, who emigrated to the U.S. from Germany in 1998, also attended the ceremony.

"I think this is one of the best things we do all year; it makes me want to cry," said Councilmember Leta Mach.

Jesse Nash is a journalism student at the University of Maryland and summer intern reporting for the News Review.



PHOTO COURTESY OF COUNTY ALTERNATIVE COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

Greenbelt Community Church dedicates a new raingarden.

## Pop-Up Theater Hosts Small Screen Films Just Next Door

by Sandy Rodgers

Pop-up events and stores are trendy these days, and soon theatergoers will get a chance to experience one in Greenbelt at the Pop-up at the Old Greenbelt Theatre at 125 Centerway. The small venue will allow the theater to continue showing its innovative film programs over the next four months as the main auditorium is dark for replacement of the aging HVAC system, new seats and other renovations.

Ongoing work at 129 Centerway will only affect the theater's auditorium. The lobby and concession stand will remain open for patrons to buy tickets and order refreshments to carry next

door. With the move from a 363-seat auditorium to a 40-seat microcinema, the theater anticipates selling out shows and recommends pre-purchasing tickets. As an extra perk, theater members can buy tickets two days before the general public.

The Pop-up will continue offering visual/hearing assistance and wheelchair accessibility. Check at the concession stand for more information.

The most popular programming, Storytimes on Screen, School's Out, Monday Matinee, will be held in the Community Center ground floor East Suite.



**St. Hugh's Annual  
RUMMAGE SALE**  
**Saturday & Sunday**  
**June 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**9:00am-2:00pm**

**135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD**

## MUSIC AT ST ANDREWS



**Saturday, June 8, 4PM**

St. Andrews Choir and organ; presenting a Choral Evensong

**Sunday, June 9, 5PM**

Members of the National Orchestral Institute join with organist David Houston for an afternoon concert featuring Richard Wagner's *Siegfried Idyll* along with works for brass and organ.

**Free and open to all**

4512 College Ave  
College Park, MD 20740

## Peace Events Come to City Through Month of June

On Tuesday, May 28, the Greenbelt City Council proclaimed June as Greenbelt Peace Month. Peace Month recognizes Greenbelt-based organizations for their enduring efforts to promote peace, from the interpersonal to the planetary scale.

In the coming weeks, some of these organizations plan to host peace-based events.

On Sunday, June 9 The Center for Dynamic Community Governance will host Making Peace with Difficult People (Including You and Me!), from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Community Center, Room 114. All ages are welcome to this special Peace Day workshop where participants can try out new skills through interactive games and role-plays. No registration required. For more information, contact Aileen Kroll, aileen@dynamic-governance.org.

On Tuesday, June 11, the Contemplative Prayer Group hosts Prayer for Peace in Our Hearts, Our Communities and Our World, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., at Greenbelt Community Church Fellowship Center, 1 Hillside Road. This hour will include time to voice or read prayers for peace, 15 minutes of silence to envision peace for all, and optional sharing. For more information, contact Patience Robbins, patience.robbins@gmail.com.

On Friday, June 14, the Chesapeake Education, Arts and Research Society (CHEARS) and Prince George's County Peace & Justice Coalition bring Peace Sing-along and Solstice Celebration.

tion, starting at 6 p.m. with a potluck at the Community Center Theater Rehearsal Room. Singing will follow at 7 p.m. at the nearby Greenbelt peacemakers' memorial area (indoors if it rains). Questions, comments or concerns should be sent to Maggie Cahalan, maggie@chears.org or Lucy Duff, justpeacepg@earthlink.net.

On Saturday, June 15, Maryland United for Peace and Justice activists will introduce presentations on global affairs from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center Multipurpose Room. Themes are "Empire of chaos in the age of Trump" by Bahram Zandi, chair of the U.S. Green Party International Committee, and "Waging peace, not war" about projects to create opportunities and education for children and war victims during the Sierra Leone civil war and its aftermath, by Andrew Benson Greene.

Greene is the founder of international networks to build peace in his native Sierra Leone. For more information, contact R. Brown, rdbtenor@gmail.com.

## Rummage Sale

The annual St. Hugh's Rummage Sale will take place on Saturday and Sunday, June 22 & 23 from 9 to 2 p.m. There will be appliances, clothes, toys, books, linens, jewelry and more.

There will also be lunch available, a bake sale, and door prizes. Admission is free.

## COME JOIN US!

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## The Jewish Table



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**Phyllis Richman & Todd Kliman**



**Sunday, June 16, 2019 @ 2 pm**

**Mishkan Torah Synagogue,  
10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD**

*Reservations required by June 9  
For more information, and to make  
reservations, visit: [www.MishkanTorah.org](http://www.MishkanTorah.org)  
or call 301-474-4223*

## Hospice Hosts Discussion Group

Community Hospice will host a discussion group on The Power of Living with a Thankful Heart on Tuesday, June 18 in the Community Center from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. All are welcome. Contact Margaret Capurso at 301-560-6002 with any questions.

## Questions Remain, as Does Negative Feeling on Maglev

by Eugene Jesse Nash IV

If anything is remembered about the latest SCMaglev Q&A session on Wednesday, May 29, it should be the question by Greenbelt's own: Mayor Pro Tem Judith Davis.

Davis asked how the SCMaglev plans to compete with the Hyperloop Light, another advanced-underground-transit model, in collaborating with Maryland and D.C. bus, rail and air travel providers when the Hyperloop is currently set to finish construction first?

"If they get their foot in the door sooner, why go maglev?" Davis challenged.

David Henley of Baltimore Washington Rapid Rail (BWRR) quickly dodged by firing back the joke, "I'm going to bet you a dollar that we beat them," which was met with a laugh.

He then responded that the hyperloop technology is decades away from completion and that he is confident that there is no competition because he "hasn't seen evidence of their space-aged ability to move dirt around faster than anyone else."

The SCMaglev is a proposed train that would take commuters from Washington to Baltimore in 15 minutes through technology that would allow the train to levitate over its tracks by magnets. BWRR is the company trying to bring the concept into a reality. The path of the train would go underneath Greenbelt East.

While the train already has support from Governor Larry Hogan, it is currently in the middle of a state evaluation for its environmental impact before construction can begin. BWRR does not need the approval of the general public, but representatives of the company have reached out to inform the public and take feedback in various outlets over the past five years since the project was first drawn up.

Much of the public sentiment at these outreaches has been negative toward the project with various fears of how the communities around the proposed track would be harmed if it were to be built.

That was certainly the case at the maglev discussion meeting held in Riverdale and sponsored by State Delegate Alonzo Washington.

Henley's hour and a half long presentation and Q&A about the project was heard by over 75 people with residents sliding into the already full room up to 30 minutes after the talk started. Councilmember Colin Byrd also came and stood quietly in the back.

Nearly every single skeptical question and negative comment brought up by residents was met with an overpowering ovation, causing the meeting to go on 30 minutes over schedule.

Still, all listened to the few who stood in support of the maglev train. One proponent was Greenbelt resident Joyce Wineland who spoke of a time when she was trapped in Newark Liberty International Airport for eight hours after her connecting flight to Washington got delayed numerous times. Had there been a maglev, Wineland said, she could have been home considerably faster, in a more comfortable and environmentally safe manner.



PHOTO BY EUGENE JESSE NASH IV

State Delegate Alonzo Washington answers questions.

Moments later, New Carrollton resident Helen Williams expressed an emotional sentiment that resonated more audibly in the audience that night.

"I'm wondering what the incentive, the human incentive that some see it necessary that this has to be pushed through like this. I see the quality of life plummeting because of the loss of trees ... who needs to get anywhere in 15 minutes?" Williams posed.

The sound of clapping hands temporarily drowned out the speaker's attempt at a response.

Then calling the train "God's work" Henley said that the mission of the project is not solely quick travel, but also efficient travel from Washington to Boston, which he argues would bring the U.S. up to speed with the technology of fast trains in other countries.

Throughout the night, Henley addressed multiple concerns that have been repeatedly brought up by those concerned about the project.

The tunnel boring sounds and vibrations at an average depth of 130 feet underground will not be noticeable, he said. If they do get too loud, sensors will notify the builders and shut off the machine. The train itself should never sound like anything more than a "Whooosh" as it exits the tunnel in a location proposed to be north of Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

Heads shook in disbelief along with hushed murmurs when Henley continued that the air quality of the county will be better when commuters opt for the fast train over driving.

For those concerned about the 200 trucks hauling dirt away from the tunnel each day when the tunneling starts, Henley said "construction projects are not good neighbors," and that while they would be a "temporary nuisance," they would eventually leave.

Henley said he has "no way to project" what the train might do to property values in Greenbelt and surrounding communities. But, he expects that the train will bring 3,000 jobs to the state.

Washington said that he was happy that the event provided more information about the project, but saddened that it also unearthed a lack of trust in the Maryland government from the state's own citizens.

"These folks don't feel like they can benefit from this, and I agree with them," Washington said.

Jesse Nash is a journalism student at the University of Maryland and summer intern reporting for the News Review.

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Washington Parkway. Boring maintains that the project will have very little environmental impact. It says that its structures are low profile and wouldn't interfere with anything around them. The company also says that the vehicles used in the loop are battery-powered modules that produce zero emissions. Councilmember Rodney Roberts pointed out that no transportation alternative produces zero emissions. Power must be generated to charge the batteries and used to construct the vehicles. Roberts said that claiming a zero emissions system was simply deluding the public.

Liggins played a video clip from Boring's website. The clip showed what looked like a regular car being lowered on an elevator into the ground. It then shot off through a tube perhaps 12 feet in diameter and was lifted out of the tunnel on an elevator to the surface at the other end. Councilmembers wondered about the slowness of loading and unloading cars one at a time causing underground traffic jams.

The system has not yet been fully tested, according to Liggins. She noted that development was moving faster than the website conveyed. Information available to the public on the website is always a step behind the actual state of the project.

The company is using a test track about a mile long that runs under the Las Vegas Convention Center. It isn't clear how long testing will last because the Hyperloop project is not yet classified as either a rail or road project, which affects federal agency jurisdiction.

### Launch Site

Greenway Center Drive in Greenbelt is a projected boring machine launch site. A shaft would be made in the ground and boring machines lowered into it. This also makes it an egress point for waste produced by the machines. It will result in a constant stream of dump trucks over the period of construction.

Councilmembers expressed concern that this heavily loaded traffic would tear up the roads and cause a noise problem for residents. Once the project is up and running, the launch sites become maintenance facilities and access points.

### Staying in the Loop

Musk has apparently barred his team from meeting with the public. Council expressed concern

at what appears to be the company's unwillingness to deal with the concerns of residents affected by the project.

Councilmember Judith Davis suggested that Musk is trying to get this project done before maglev. She went on, "[Musk] is having a fun time with his money and he's getting the camel's nose under the tent for the full Hyperloop later ... [Moving] a thousand people a day isn't going to make a dent in transportation."

Roberts stated categorically that he "wanted them to come out and tell us and give us the details." Although private money is funding the project, Roberts opined that if Boring wants to use public resources (such as space under the parkway) then the public deserves to be involved.

Councilmember Edward Putens felt that council must do the right thing and have a public hearing. He wondered, therefore, what exactly council expected to accomplish during the current meeting.

Hruby explained that the purpose of the meeting was to explore where the city stood on the issues. She noted that although the project was privately funded, significant time and effort was being expended by Greenbelt in considering the Hyperloop. It was not true, therefore, that there was no cost to the public.

Davis made a motion that the city declares itself a party of record and informs the Boring company of the city's concerns.

Hruby will draft a communication to Boring for the Consent Agenda on June 3.

### State Board of Public Works

In a related matter of transportation infrastructure, Mayor Emmett Jordan suggested sending a letter to Peter Franchot, Maryland State Comptroller, regarding potential funding of the state portion of the maglev development. Council is concerned that the board may approve the expenditure even though the evaluation is not complete.

Franchot is one of three members of the State Board of Public Works. The other members are the governor and treasurer of the state. This board is responsible for the expenditure of all capital appropriations and the superintendence of nearly all state public works projects.

Roberts questioned whether it would be illegal for the board to make such a resolution in advance of the completion of the process. Council requested that Hruby draft a suitable note for this topic to be discussed further at the next regular council meeting.

### Relics Perform at GCC

On Saturday, June 8, Greenbelt Community Church United Church of Christ will host a Relics concert and dance. The event, set for 7 p.m., will take place in the church social hall. Refreshments will be sold. The freewill donation will go to the Prince George's Special Olympics.

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## Robbery

May 23, 8:20 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. An employee at Foot Locker observed two people shoplifting. When he confronted them, one of the two physically threatened him. They then got into a blue 4-door Hyundai bearing Pennsylvania tags, with four other persons in the vehicle.

## Assault

May 26, 12:35 p.m., 5500 block Cherrywood Lane. A bystander observed a man involved in a physical altercation with a woman. The bystander intervened in the assault, at which time the man struck the bystander with a plastic crate. This resulted in a laceration to the bystander's arm. The man then fled on foot. The bystander refused treatment.

## Animal Cruelty

May 26, 4:50 p.m., 5700 block Greenbelt Metro Drive. A dead dog was found inside a plastic container. Animal Control responded to the scene.

## Theft

May 25, 10:35 a.m., 7400 block Greenbelt Road. A set of car keys was taken from the counter at Party City.

## Trespass

May 22, 10:43 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A 24-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with trespass after he was found on the grounds of Beltway Plaza after having been banned from the mall by agents of the property. He was released on citation pending trial.

## Alcohol Violation

May 23, 7:25 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A 31-year-old resident was arrested and charged with drinking in public after an officer observed him drinking an alcoholic beverage at a bus stop. He was released on citation pending trial.

## Vandalism

May 23, 5 a.m., 7300 block Morrison Drive. Windows were broken out at two adjacent residences.

May 26, 8:41 p.m. 5900 block

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transferred by the developer to the city in December 2018, in time for the Greenbelt Station community Christmas party. During the council meeting where it was discussed, councilmembers urged community leaders and HOA representatives to work with the Greenbelt Recreation to

collaborate on the ways in which the city could provide resources and support for future Greenbelt Station events held in the new park.

Greenbelt Recreation staff served lemonade and cookies after the formal part of the program.

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# Business

## Business Column Now Open for Business

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## Summer Intern Begins At Greenbelt Online

Greenbelt Online, the non-profit community website and blog, welcomes its first intern from the University of Maryland. Over the summer, rising junior Drew Brown will write feature articles about Greenbelt, including profiles of a creative person or venue, a small business, and LGBTQ life in Greenbelt.



PHOTO BY SUSAN HARRIS

Drew Brown begins a summer internship with Greenbelt Online.

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draft a council resolution that would reflect the statement of the General Orders SOP as council policy. That passed as two motions, both of which were seconded by Councilmember Leta Mach and adopted unanimously.

### Theater Lease Agreement

Council voted unanimously to approve a lease agreement with the Old Greenbelt Theatre to cover use of city facilities over the four-month period the theater building will be closed for renovation. Although the lease agreement was not provided, a summary indicated that it would cover, at various times, use of the gym and the space formerly occupied by the Adult Day Care Center at the Community Center.

### GHI Letter to WSSC

An item was added to the agenda that reflected a request made to the mayor by Steve Skolnik, president of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI), that the city take further action to reopen discussions with the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC). GHI and the city have had a lengthy standoff with WSSC regarding its attempts to unilaterally revise a longstanding agreement of the three parties that defined maintenance responsibility for certain pipes running throughout GHI.

Initially, no action was to be taken on this item, since it was not clear precisely what was wanted by GHI. In an effort to move the matter forward, however, Councilmember Judith Davis made a motion that a joint letter be sent to WSSC from the city and GHI requesting another meeting, with an understanding that both GHI and the city would have legal representation present. It was also understood that

further action was not precluded if WSSC was not responsive and that this plan could be revised if GHI was not amenable. The motion carried 6 to 0, with Byrd abstaining so as not to require his colleagues to fill him in on decades of background on this subject, given the lateness of the hour.

Three items were added to the agenda by Byrd, of which one received favorable action.

### AARP Designation

Byrd made a motion, seconded by Roberts, that the city seek an AARP Age-Friendly Community Designation. Davis said Community Resource Officer Christal Batey had supplied a detailed memo to council recommending against pursuing the designation since it would not only be costly to achieve and maintain but would involve significant staff time. Davis said Greenbelt is known to be age-friendly, and the designation would not add to that. She and Mach agreed they would not support the motion. Councilmember Silke Pope agreed but asked that the reasons be explained publicly.

Resident Betty Timer spoke to say it is not evident to a lot of people that the council is engaged in planning for the future of its older residents. A benefit of the AARP designation, she said, is that it requires attention to be paid to such priorities. Councilmember Edward Putens suggested referring the question to the Se-

## June 8 Event on Gun Violence Awareness

National Gun Violence Awareness Day is Friday, June 7, and Wear Orange Weekend will be held June 7 to 9, to raise awareness about gun violence. Prince George's County Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America will host a free screening of the movie Newtown on Saturday, June 8 at 10 a.m. at the Old Greenbelt Theatre. The Peabody award-winning movie documents three years after the horrific mass shooting in Newtown, Conn., that took the lives of 20 elementary school children and six educators. It shows how the small town became a traumatized community fractured by grief and driven toward a sense of purpose. Seating is limited, RSVP to [kflamm47@gmail.com](mailto:kflamm47@gmail.com) or 530-903-6685. Don't forget to wear orange.

nior Citizens Advisory Committee (SCAC). City Manager Nicole Ard intervened to say that staff had thought the SCAC had already seen the information and would now send it on to them.

### National Film Registry

At an earlier meeting of the city council, resident James Thompson had asked councilmembers to attend a viewing of "You Nazty Spy" he was sponsoring at the Old Greenbelt Theatre. He had requested that council support nomination of the film to the National Film Registry for preservation. Byrd wanted council to agree to send a letter making this request, but other councilmembers wished the matter to be postponed until after the viewing.

### Co-op Rays on the Roof

Byrd had also added this item to the agenda, asking that council adopt a motion to commit \$1,000 for two solar panels for the Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket's fundraising campaign. The motion was made by Mach and carried unanimously.



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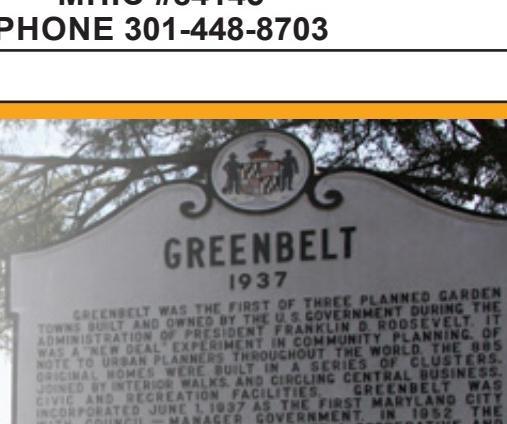
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## Sports

# Babe Ruth Baseball: Greenbelt Squad Steals One from Bowie

by Ian Gleason

The choices a manager makes when putting together a lineup card for a baseball game can seem insignificant at the time yet they always seem to have a way of coming up at the most pivotal points of a game.

The Greenbelt Senior Babe Ruth team started their season with a home contest against the Bowie Blacksox this past Friday, May 31. Eric Weaver started on the mound for Greenbelt and spread four runs out over the course of a night's work. Solid defense and a heads-up play by Hector DeLaRosa at third base kept the game within reach. Greenbelt bats remained mostly silent throughout the evening. Heading into the final inning Bowie led 4-0. After loading the bases, left fielder Solomon Douglass lined a first pitch fastball off Cejay Hopkins up the middle scoring two. Two at bats later, Evan Wasniewski battled into a full count and walked on a pitch just off the plate bringing Greenbelt within one of Bowie.

This set the scene for the dramatic finish. The lineup choices made prior to the game provided Greenbelt an opportunity with two of their fastest players on base: Matthew Baravechia on second and the speedy Douglass on third. After the first few pitches of the next at bat, Douglass took off for home after Bowie's catcher nonchalantly relayed the ball back to Hopkins on the mound. Douglass slid in

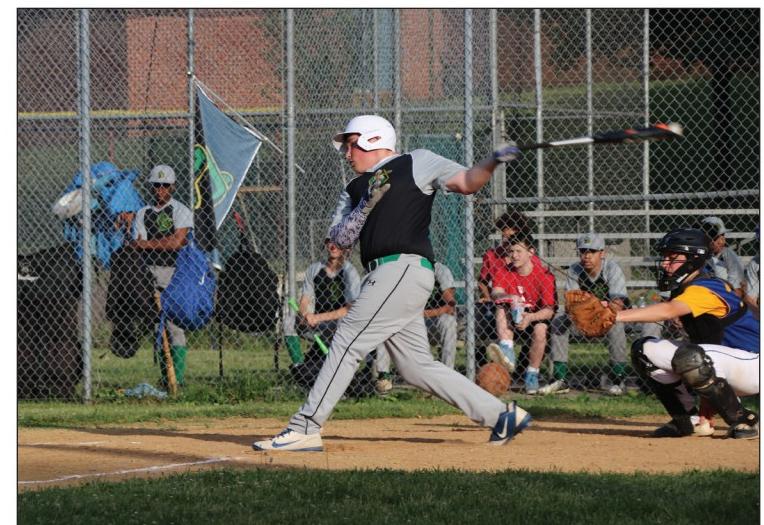


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RJ Thornburg takes a swing in Greenbelt Black's 7-2 victory over St. Jerome on Friday, May 31. Greenbelt Green followed suit in a come-from-behind 8-7 win over St. Jerome on Monday, June 3 behind a complete game on the mound from Joseph Klein.

just before the tag. Amid the excitement on Greenbelt's end and the frustration of the game being tied on Bowie's end, Baravechia rounded third base and headed for home as the catcher again re-

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The new park in Greenbelt Station was opened with a dedication and light refreshments.

At the Artful Afternoon on June 2, Artist in Residence Rachel Cross lead a tambourine-making workshop, and the new Circus Camp director Mike Funt performed a solo show about being a clown.

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**One-bedroom** upper-level GHI townhome. Spacious LR, DR, kitchen and flooring throughout. MBR, BA, LR, DR, and remodeled bathroom. \$74,900

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**Brick Townhome on Corner Lot** 3 Bedroom with one of the largest yards in the community. Large LR, bath, kitchen, paint and refinished hardwood floors.

**SOLD**

**Woodland Hills** 2-story rambler with garage that backs to wooded parkland. Opened kitchen with granite counters. Hardwood flooring, walkout basement.

**SOLD**

**Fenced Corner Lot** 2 Bedroom GHI townhome with spacious & spacious sunroom throughout with opened kitchen & more. \$136,000

**SOLD**

**Two Additions** 2 Bedroom GHI home with front addition & full bath on main level. PR, family room, sunroom opens onto large deck & wooded backyard.

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Greenbelt Day 2019

# Pet Owners, Vendors Attend June 1 Pet Expo Block Party

by Fatemeh Paryavi

Vendors and pet owners alike came out to the Greenbelt Dog Park to kick off another Pet Expo Block Party hosted by Greenbelt Animal Control and sponsored by the city, and the nonprofit group Well-Wishers for the Animals of Greenbelt Shelter (WAGS), on Saturday, June 1.

The event attracted nearly 200 pet owners and pets who ventured to the park in order to meet new people in the community, to buy merchandise, to learn more on properly taking care of their pets and to vaccinate pets.

Howard Stanback, an animal control officer at the Greenbelt Animal Shelter, said that it has been about eight or nine years since the expo first started. He continued that the expo started as a means to educate people on different pet-care techniques, connecting the dog-owner community with one another and promoting small pet care businesses.

The expo included different vendors and educational demos including a mobile adoption truck and a K-9 demo by the Hyattsville Police Department. The event also hosted a stand which sold vaccines for a discounted price of \$10. Stanback mentioned that most rabies vaccines cost around \$30.

Fatima Herrera, owner of a 2-year-old husky, said that she came to the event to meet new people and get her dog vaccinated for the year.

Kimberly Young, a manager at the All Dogs Club daycare facility and a vendor at the event, said this was her first time at the event. It was nice to see such a large community of dog-owners and to connect with other businesses and pet owners, she said. "Dogs are an increasing part of everyday family life and they're extremely important to a lot of people, so providing the best care and the best quality services for them is very important. I'm hoping we can help a lot of people in this area who have pets," said Young. "Making more dogs happy, that is our goal. You know, for the pets and dogs alike," she added. She noted that their facility helps educate owners on proper exercises for their dogs, diets and socializing for pets.

Another vendor, Bryan Sirokin, agreed with Young saying that he liked the event and socializing with the pet-owner community. He continued, saying that "I like meeting people." Sirokin has his own photography company with a focus on photographing different animals.



Juanice Johnson and her dog, Angel enjoy their first Pet Expo Block Party at the Greenbelt Dog Park on Saturday, June 1.



A Hyattsville police officer and his dog give a demonstration at the Pet Expo.

Juanice Johnson went to the expo with her dog, Angel, hoping to "have a good time while we're out here." She continued that she had decided to attend the event for educational purposes and that she wanted to "learn different things for my dog."

Johnson said that she was excited for the vendor giveaways

and prizes and that she was looking forward to getting something for Angel while they were at the event and perhaps to go to the event next year as well.

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## Raiders End Baseball Season

by Patrick Gleason



PHOTO BY VANESSA VAN DER HAVE

The Eleanor Roosevelt baseball team celebrates with a team photo after their regional championship victory over Parkdale. Back row from left: Andrew Capece, Mason Capece, Brian Bailey, Jr., Cejay Hopkins, DJ Pigrom, Derek Ohringer, Andy Orwig (behind), Wesley Shoemaker, Todd Murphy, Benjamin Daniel and Lawrence Richmond. Front row from left: Josiah Parker, Michael Stroud, Christopher Jones, Diego Araiza, Chase van der Have and Solomon Douglas.

While the Eleanor Roosevelt Raiders baseball season ended with a 11-1 defeat at the hands of the Sherwood Warriors, the squad has much to be proud of and much to look forward to. Led by head coach Andrew Capece, the Raiders earned the regional championship on May 17 with an 11-2 victory over the Parkdale Panthers. With a strong pitching performance from Brian Bailey, Jr. the Raiders coasted to the win; however, their previous victory, a 4-2 triumph, over the Flowers Jaguars proved much more difficult.

With ace Todd Murphy on the mound, the Raiders looked to avenge their playoff loss last year, again facing Jaguar pitcher Tremayne Cobb, Jr. Roosevelt struck first when junior Chris-

topher Jones and senior Derek Ohringer crossed home on a passed ball and a throwing error. Then junior DJ Pigrom, unleashed a triple—a drive which reached the right field fence—and ended up scoring after another Flowers' miscue. Pigrom is joined by a nine-member junior class, including centerfielder Chase van der Have and third baseman Cejay Hopkins, who supplied the Raiders with a double in the state semi-final; the juniors along with rising players from an undefeated junior varsity team should help the Raiders continue their success.

Even with the graduation of Ohringer and fellow seniors Solomon Douglas, Josiah Parker, and Diego Araiza, the Raiders will be primed for another deep playoff run in 2020.

## Springhill Lake Elementary Students at Fort McHenry



PHOTO BY KEN BARRY, GREENBELT PARK RANGER

One hundred fifty 4th graders from Springhill Lake Elementary School visit Fort McHenry on Thursday, May 30, with park rangers from Greenbelt Park. The students help change the flag at the 10 a.m. flag changing program. Greenbelt Park received an Every Kid Outdoors grant from the National Park Foundation to provide transportation for the students to the historic fort in Baltimore.